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Ms. Cynthia T. Brown
Chief, Section of Administration
Office of Proceedings
Surface Transportation Board
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Re: **Docket No. FD 36362**
New Orleans Public Belt Railroad Corporation – Lease
Exemption – Line of Illinois Central Railroad Company

Dear Ms. Brown:

Pursuant to 49 C.F.R. § 1150.42(e), New Orleans Public Belt Railroad Corporation (“NOPB”) hereby certifies that on October 31, 2019 the attached Notice was posted at the following workplaces of employees of Illinois Central Railroad Company (“IC”):

Mays Yard
2351 Hickory Avenue
Harahan, LA 70123

8022 Ashland Road
Geismar, LA 70734

410 North Cate Street
Hammond, LA 70401

2400 North Riverside
Baton Rouge, LA 70802

NOPB also certifies that on October 31, 2019, the attached Notice was served by first class mail, postage prepaid, on the national offices of the labor unions representing IC employees on the subject rail line, at the following addresses:

Mr. Dennis R. Pierce
National President
Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Trainmen, IBT
7061 East Pleasant Valley Road
Independence, OH 44131

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Mr. John Previsich
President, Transportation Division
International Association of Sheet Metal, Air, Rail &
Transportation Workers
24950 Country Club Road, Suite 340
North Olmsted, OH 44070-5333

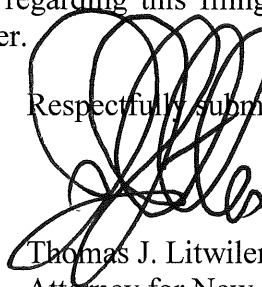
Mr. Freddie N. Simpson
President
Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employees Division, IBT
41475 Gardenbrook Road
Novi, MI 48375-1328

Mr. Floyd E. Mason
President
Brotherhood of Railroad Signalmen
917 Shenandoah Shores Road
Front Royal, VA 22630

Mr. Richard A. Johnson
General President, Carmen Division
Transportation•Communications Union/IAM
3 Research Place
Rockville, MD 20850

If you have any questions regarding this filing, please feel free to contact me.
Thank you for your assistance on this matter.

Respectfully submitted,



Thomas J. Litwiler
Attorney for New Orleans Public Belt
Railroad Corporation

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Attachment

NEW ORLEANS PUBLIC BELT RAILROAD CORPORATION
4822 Tchoupitoulas Street
New Orleans, LA 70115

NOTICE

Pursuant to regulations of the Surface Transportation Board (“STB”) at 49 C.F.R. § 1150.42(e), New Orleans Public Belt Railroad Corporation (“NOPB”), a Class III rail carrier, hereby gives notice to employees of Illinois Central Railroad Company (“IC”) that on or about December 31, 2019, NOPB intends to lease and thereafter operate IC’s line of railroad extending from approximately IC milepost 906.1 at Central Avenue near East Bridge Jct. in Shrewsbury, Louisiana to the end-of-track at approximately IC milepost 908.8 in Jefferson Parish, Louisiana, and from approximately IC milepost 921.8 at Iris Avenue (approximately IC milepost 908.5 on the first segment) to approximately IC milepost 921.14 at Dakin Street near Lampert Jct. in Jefferson Parish, a total distance of approximately 3.36 miles. Between East Bridge Jct. and Iris Avenue the IC line consists of parallel tracks known as the Main Track and the A2 Track.

Existing Amtrak operations and trackage rights operations of Union Pacific Railroad Company and The Kansas City Southern Railway Company will not be affected by the proposed transaction.

A notice of exemption to authorize the proposed transaction will be filed with the STB on or shortly before November 27, 2019 in Docket No. FD 36362.

NOPB does not expect to hire any additional employees as a result of the proposed transaction. IC employees desiring further information regarding the transaction may contact NOPB’s Manager – Human Relations at (504) 896-7416.

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